MINUTES

Committee on Stormwater/CSO Wednesday, March 4, 1998 -- 11:30 a.m. Tenth Floor Conference Room Lansing City Hall

Call To Order

The meeting was called to order at 11:35 a.m. by Councilmember Leeman.

Roll Call

Councilmember Harold Leeman, Chair Councilmember Louis H. Adado, Vice Chair Councilmember Michael Murphy, Member

Others Present

Gilbert LeHaine, Claimant
Mike Navabi, Public Service Department Director
Bob Rose, Public Service Department
Chad Gamble, Public Service Department
Jack Jordan, Law Department
Ron Wilson, Council Staff
Tina Gallante, Council Staff

Public Comment on Agenda Items

Public comment was taken at the time of the agenda item.

Approval of Minutes

COUNCILMEMBER ADADO MOVED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 4 AND FEBRUARY 25, 1998, MEETINGS AS SUBMITTED. MOTION CARRIED, 3-0.

DISCUSSION/ACTION

(All claimants were notified by mail of the meeting.)

Gilbert LeHaine -- 3501 South Pennsylvania Avenue

Councilmember Leeman commented that he and other members of the Committee went out and viewed the property as a result of last week's meeting and the concerns raised.

Councilmember Adado indicated that after looking at the property, although he does not usually disagree with the Administration's recommendation, he feels that Mr. LeHaine's property is unique in that it is very low and would recommend taking one-third off of his entire bill.

Councilmember Leeman agreed with Councilmember Adado and believes it falls into a separate category.

Mr. Jordan and Mr. Gamble cautioned the members about complying with the ordinance.

Councilmember Adado voiced his belief that Mr. LeHaine's property is not being served 100 percent by the City and it had previously been indicated that his property was retaining some water.

COUNCILMEMBER ADADO MOVED TO APPROVE A ONE-THIRD REDUCTION OF MR. LEHAINE'S STORMWATER BILL RETROACTIVE TO 1995. MOTION CARRIED, 3-0.

Gregory and Margaret Demyers -- 1813 Reo Road

Mr. Gamble reported this property does have curb and gutter and it has both storm and sanitary service provided by the City. The Public Service Department recommends the claim be denied.

COUNCILMEMBER MURPHY MOVED TO CONCUR IN THE PUBLIC SERVICE DEPARTMENT'S RECOMMENDATION AND DENY THE CLAIM. MOTION CARRIED, 3-0.

Carlotta Devereaut -- 2029 Mary Avenue

No action necessary, as the matter had been previously acted upon.

Dawn Foster -- 4033 Woodcreek Lane

Rescheduled to March 18, 1998, at the claimant's request.

Alice Gendell -- 627 West Hodge Avenue

Rescheduled to March 11, 1998, at the claimant's request.

Karla George -- 2840 Hollywood

Mr. Gamble reported this property does have sanitary service but does not have curb and gutter. The street is paved. It would be recommended to grant a 25 percent reduction in the Stormwater Bill based on the criteria established.

COUNCILMEMBER MURPHY MOVED TO CONCUR IN THE PUBLIC SERVICE DEPARTMENT'S RECOMMENDATION AND APPROVE A TWENTY-FIVE PERCENT REDUCTION. MOTION CARRIED, 3-0.

George Parish

Mr. Gamble reported this property is south of Miller Road and east of Waverly, bounded by miller and the highway. The three properties are very large properties which have no curb and gutter. It could be said that the property is served by a drainage system; however, it could be argued that the catch basin in not within the block and would consider a twenty-five percent reduction.

COUNCILMEMBER ADADO MOVED TO CONCUR IN THE PUBLIC SERVICE DEPARTMENT'S RECOMMENDATION AND APPROVE A TWENTY-FIVE PERCENT REDUCTION FOR ALL THREE PROPERTIES. MOTION CARRIED, 3-0.

OTHER

Mr. Gamble reported that he has updated the Definitions of Credits established for the Stormwater Enterprise Fund and included the standing water credit.

Mr. Gamble also suggested that the Committee consider a standing motion that any appeal which as been acted on by the Committee submitted after 1995 be given the same decision automatically.

The Committee voiced their concerns in wanting to ensure that would not prohibit an individuals due process.

ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 12:40 p.m.

Submitted by,

Tina M. Gallante Administrative Secretary Lansing City Council

Approved by Committee.

Signed by:

Harold Leeman, Chair

Appropriate documents attached to original set of minutes.